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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

DETAILED ACTION & EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT:

1. Board has partially affirmed the appeal. Following action by applicant is required to complete the claims.
2. The application has been amended as follows:
Cancel claims 7-8.
3. Claims 9-12 are incomplete because the claims on which they depend from [claims 7 & 8] have been cancelled by the examiner in accordance with MPEP § 1214.06. Applicant is given a **ONE MONTH TIME LIMIT** from the date of this letter in which to present claims 9-12 in independent form [claim 9 including all the limitations of claims 7 and 8].
4. **NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) WILL BE GRANTED.**
Failure to comply with this deadline will result in cancellation of claims 7-12 and this application will be allowed with claims 3-6.

Contact Information

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gautam R. Patel whose telephone number is 571-272-7625. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from 7:30 to 6.

The appropriate fax number for the organization (Group 2650) where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ms. Doris To can be reached on (571) 272-7629.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Electronic Business Center whose telephone number is 866-217-9197 or the USPTO contact Center telephone number is (800) PTO-9199.



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